## In the Claims

- 1-9. (cancelled)
- 10. (currently amended) A process for producing adhesion elements on a substrate, comprising the steps of:

introducing thixotropic plastic material of polyvinyl siloxane having a viscosity of 7,000 to 15,000 mPas measured with a rotary viscosimeter into at least one shaping element; and

forming the plastic material into  $\underline{16,000}$  adhesion elements with flared ends  $\underline{\text{per cm}^2}$  accomplishing adhesion predominantly by van-der-Waals forces, the flared ends forming heads with essentially flat end surfaces, the adhesion elements having stem parts with a height from 50  $\underline{\text{\mu m}}$  to 150  $\underline{\text{\mu m}}$  and with a diameter from 10  $\underline{\text{\mu m}}$  to 40  $\underline{\text{\mu m}}$ , the flared ends having a diameter from 15  $\underline{\text{\mu m}}$  to 70  $\underline{\text{\mu m}}$ .

- 11-12. (cancelled)
- 13. (currently amended) A process according to claim 12 10 wherein the viscosity is approximately 10,000 mPas at a shear rate of 10 1/sec.
- 14. (currently amended) A process according to claim 10 wherein the shaping element is a drum-shaped screen having at least 10,000 mold cavities per cm<sup>2</sup>.
  - 15. (cancelled)

- 16. (previously presented) A process according to claim 14 wherein each of the mold cavities has a hyperboloid shape.
- 17. (previously presented) A process according to claim 10 wherein the plastic material has a contact angle greater than 60 degrees due to surface energy for wetting with water.
  - 18. (previously presented) A process according to claim 17 wherein the contact angle is greater than 70 degrees.
  - 19. (cancelled)
  - 20. (currently amended) A process according to claim 19  $\underline{10}$  wherein the height of the stems is approximately 90  $\mu m$ ; the diameter of the stems is approximately 30  $\mu m$ ; and the diameter of the flared end is approximately 50  $\mu m$ .
  - 21. (previously presented) A process according to claim 10 wherein the plastic material is cross-linked with or after molding of the adhesion elements.
- 22. (currently amended) A process for producing adhesion elements on a substrate, comprising the steps of:

introducing thixotropic plastic material of polyvinyl siloxane having a viscosity of 7,000 to 15,000 mPas measured with a rotary viscosimeter into at least one shaping element; and

forming the plastic material into  $\underline{16,000}$  adhesion elements with flared ends  $\underline{\text{per cm}^2}$  accomplishing adhesion predominantly by van-der-Waals forces, the flared ends forming heads with slightly convex end surfaces, the adhesion elements having stem parts with a height from 50  $\underline{\text{\mu m}}$  to 150  $\underline{\text{\mu m}}$  and with a diameter from 10  $\underline{\text{\mu m}}$  to 40  $\underline{\text{\mu m}}$ , the flared ends having a diameter from 15  $\underline{\text{\mu m}}$  to 70  $\underline{\text{\mu m}}$ .

- 23-24. (cancelled)
- 25. (currently amended) A process according to claim [[24]] <u>22</u> wherein the viscosity is approximately 10,000 mPas at a shear rate of 10 1/sec.
- 26. (currently amended) A process according to claim 22 wherein the shaping element is a drum-shaped screen having at least 10,000 mold cavities per cm<sup>2</sup>.
  - 27. (cancelled)
  - 28. (previously presented) A process according to claim 26 wherein each of the mold cavities has a hyperboloid shape.

- 29. (previously presented) A process according to claim 22 wherein the plastic material has a contact angle greater than 60 degrees due to surface energy for wetting with water.
  - 30. (previously presented) A process according to claim 29 wherein the contact angle is greater than 70 degrees.
  - 31. (cancelled)
  - 32. (currently amended) A process according to claim 31  $\underline{22}$  wherein the height of the stems is approximately 90  $\mu$ m; the diameter of the stems is approximately 30  $\mu$ m; and the diameter of the flared end is approximately 50  $\mu$ m.
  - 33. (previously presented) A process according to claim 22 wherein the plastic material is cross-linked with or after molding of the adhesion elements.
- 34. (currently amended) A process for producing adhesion elements on a substrate, comprising the steps of:

introducing thixotropic plastic material of polyvinyl siloxane having a viscosity of 7,000 to 15,000 mPas measured with a rotary viscosimeter into at least one shaping element; and

forming the plastic material into 16,000 adhesion elements with flared ends per cm<sup>2</sup> accomplishing adhesion predominantly by van-der-Waals forces, the flared ends forming heads

with end surfaces having a concavity, the adhesion elements having stem parts with a height from 50 μm to 150 μm and with a diameter from 10 μm to 40 μm, the flared ends having a diameter from 15 μm to 70 μm.

- 35-36. (cancelled)
- 37. (currently amended) A process according to claim 36 34 wherein the viscosity is approximately 10,000 mPas at a shear rate of 10 1/sec.
- 38. (currently amended) A process according to claim 34 wherein the shaping element is a drum-shaped screen having at least 10,000 mold cavities per cm<sup>2</sup>.
  - 39. (cancelled)
  - 40. (previously presented) A process according to claim 38 wherein each of the mold cavities has a hyperboloid shape.
- 41. (previously presented) A process according to claim 34 wherein

  the plastic material has a contact angle greater than 60 degrees due to surface energy for wetting with water.
  - 42. (previously presented) A process according to claim 41 wherein the contact angle is greater than 70 degrees.

- 43. (cancelled)
- 44. (currently amended) A process according to claim [[43]]  $\underline{34}$  wherein the height of the stems is approximately 90  $\mu m$ ; the diameter of the stems is approximately 30  $\mu m$ ; and the diameter of the flared end is approximately 50  $\mu m$ .
- 45. (previously presented) A process according to claim 34 wherein the plastic material is cross-linked with or after molding of the adhesion elements.